

Studies Board of the National Academy of Sciences and member of the National Academies Committee on America's Climate Choices. In 2007, he won the "Award for Lifetime Leadership in Ecosystem Restoration, National Conference on Ecosystem Restoration." In 2010, President Barack Obama appointed Don to the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling. In 2015, he earned the "Admiral of the Chesapeake Award," which was presented to him by the Governor.

Don's interest in coastal watershed science probably came naturally; he was born and raised in New Orleans, and he received his B.S. in biology from Tulane University in 1967. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in oceanography from the College of William & Mary in 1971. He was awarded a Fulbright postdoctoral fellowship to study in Australia and then spent 8 years on the faculty at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. From 1980 to 1990, he served as the first executive director of the Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium and worked as a professor of Marine Science at Louisiana State University. He returns to the gulf coast frequently to lead task forces and scientific panels on gulf ecosystem protection and restoration.

Dr. Donald F. Boesch has had an exemplary career at the intersection of science and public policy. He has been incredibly helpful to me and the rest of the Maryland congressional delegation; we have all valued his wise counsel. I am comforted by the fact that, while Don is stepping down as president of UMCES on September 17, he will join the faculty and focus his energies on completing several research publications. I ask my Senate colleagues to join me in congratulating Don on this milestone event and thanking him for his extraordinary contributions to understanding and protecting our environment.●

TRIBUTE TO FLORENCE NEMPHOS

● Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and extend my sincerest congratulations and happy birthday wishes to Florence Nemphos. On August 17, 2017, Florence celebrated her 100th birthday.

Florence Nemphos was born in Saugus, MA, on August 17, 1917 to two loving parents, Annie LeBrun and Richard LeBlanc. Florence has been a resident of Seabrook, NH, for the past 34 years. Florence is known as an outstanding woman and a vital and active member of her tightknit community.

For over 40 years, Florence has dedicated part of every week to playing bingo at the American Legion of Seabrook and the Seabrook Fire Association with members of the Seabrook community that she calls her bingo buddies.

As Senator for New Hampshire, I would like to honor Florence on the occasion of her 100th birthday. I join with

Florence's friends and family, as well as many, many people in her hometown of Seabrook and across the Granite State, in wishing her a very happy 100th birthday.●

TRIBUTE TO CHASE GLAZIER

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Chase Glazier, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Chase is a graduate of Custer High School in Custer, SD. Currently, he is attending South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD, where he is majoring in communications. Chase is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Chase Glazier for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO KYLE MCKEE

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Kyle McKee, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Kyle is a graduate of Washington High School in Sioux Falls, SD. Currently, he is attending the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, PA, where he is majoring in political science and chemistry. Kyle is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Kyle McKee for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO OLIVIA TORBERT

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Olivia Torbert, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Olivia is a graduate of Washington High School in Sioux Falls, SD. Currently, she is attending Georgetown University in Washington, DC, where she is majoring in international relations. Olivia is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Olivia Torbert for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO DUSTIN WAHL

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Dustin Wahl, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Dustin is a graduate of Sioux Falls Christian High School in Sioux Falls, SD. Currently, he is attending Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA, where he is majoring in politics and policy. Dustin is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Dustin Wahl for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

REPORT RELATIVE TO THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON THE UNITED STATES OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001—PM 16

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1622(d), provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days of the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. Consistent with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* the enclosed notice, stating that the emergency declared in Proclamation 7463 of September 14, 2001, "National Emergency by Reason of Certain Terrorist Attacks," is to continue in effect beyond September 14, 2017.

The threat of terrorism that resulted in the declaration of a national emergency on September 14, 2001, continues. The authorities that have been invoked under that declaration of a national emergency continue to be critical to the ability of the Armed Forces of the United States to perform essential missions in the United States and around